



## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2009 and 2010

HB3709

Introduced 2/25/2009, by Rep. Chapin Rose

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

520 ILCS 5/1.17

from Ch. 61, par. 1.17

Amends the Wildlife Code. Provides that any violation that involves illegally taking or possessing an animal must be prosecuted only in the county in which the animal was unlawfully taken by or found in the possession of the violator. Provides that if the unlawful taking or possession of an animal results in an offense under Section 2.38 or any other Section of this Act, then the prosecution of that offense must take place in the county where the animal was taken by or found in the possession of the violator.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning wildlife.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Wildlife Code is amended by changing Section  
5 1.17 as follows:

6 (520 ILCS 5/1.17) (from Ch. 61, par. 1.17)

7 Sec. 1.17. All prosecutions provided for by this Act shall  
8 be brought before the Circuit Court for the county within which  
9 the offense was committed. Any violation of this Act that  
10 involves illegally taking or possessing an animal must be  
11 prosecuted only in the county in which the animal was  
12 unlawfully taken by or found in the possession of the violator.  
13 If an alleged or actual unlawful taking or possession of an  
14 animal results in a violation of Section 2.38 or any other  
15 Section of this Act, then the prosecution of that offense must  
16 take place in the county where the animal was taken by or found  
17 in the possession of the violator.

18 All such prosecutions shall be commenced within 2 years  
19 from the time the offense charged was committed.

20 (Source: P.A. 82-965.)